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SUBJECT: INDONESIA WANTS NO CHANGE IN SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS

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- 11. (U) On December 18, visiting IO PDAS Warlick met with Slamet Hidayat, Director General for Multilateral Affairs in Indonesia's Department of Foreign Affairs. During the meeting, we urged that Indonesia support retention of the current 22-percent ceiling rate in the UNGA debate on UN assessments (reftel).
- 12. (SBU) Hidayat said that Indonesia wanted "no change" to its current overall scale of assessments, since the GOI was unable to pay any more than it did now, but he understood that this was a big issue for Japan and others. He noted that this issue had become caught up in the debate over Security Council reform, with Japan linking its contribution to its UNSC membership bid. HEFFERN